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SUBJECT: CODEL: REPRESENTATIVE PETER FRELINGHUYSEN

1. DURING CODEL'S VISIT TEHRAN FEBRUARY 16TH (HE ARRIVED EVENING OF FEBRUARY 15TH AND DEPARTED MORNING OF FEBRUARY 17TH), HE MET WITH FINANCE MINISTER JAMSHID AMUZEGAR AND FOREIGN MINISTER ABBAS KHALATBARI. HE SPOKE AT A LUNCHEON GIVEN IN HIS HONOR BY THE IRAN AMERICA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ATTENDED A DINNER GIVEN BY DR. SHAHPOUR BAHRAMI, MFA UNDERSECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE. DURING HIS CALLS ON THE TWO MINISTERS, REP. FRELING-HUYSEN WAS ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR HELMS, WHO ALSO BRIEFED HIM ON THE INTRICACIES OF OIL PRICING AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO IRAN. HE ALSO VISITETBTHE IRAN AMERICA SOCIETY CULTURAL CENTER AND APPEARED TO BE GREATLY IMPRESSED WITH ITS OPERATION.

2. PRESS CARRIED SUMMARY OF REP. FRELINGHUYSEN'S REMARKS AT THE IRAN AMERICA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN WHICH HE SAID, INTER ALIA, THAT IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES ENJOYED FUNADMENTAL RELATIONS AND THAT HE WAS DELIGHTED TO SEE THAT IT WAS NOT ONLY U.S. EMBASSIES AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHO WERE PROMOTING BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND OTHER COUNTRIES. AN ALERT AND ACTIVE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, SUCH AS THERE IS IN TEHRAN, THE CONGRESSMAN SAID, CONTRIBUTED IN A VERY REAL WAY TOWARDS BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN COUNTRIES.

3. CODEL EXPRESSED SATISFACTION AND APPRECIATION CONCERNING ARRANGEMENTS OF HIS VISIT, AND REGRETTED THAT HE HAD NOT BEEN
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